

Registration 2003: Seven Quick Steps To Renew with FEDLINK

Fiscal Year 2003 is about to begin. Registering online with FEDLINK is one way you can be sure your library or information center makes a smooth transition into the next fiscal cycle. Our online registration system does most of the work: you just need to review the details and update us about any new plans you have for next fiscal year. If at any point in the process you have questions, our Fiscal Hotline staff is just a call away at (202) 707-4900.

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1. Access FEDLINK's Secure Server

After arriving at the FLICC/FEDLINK main Web site (http://www.loc.gov/flicc), simply click on the Online Registration bar. The online registration system is located on our secure server so that you can be assured that your account and transaction information is not available to the public. (If you receive an error message here because of your agency's fire wall, please call our Hotline for assistance.)

For additional security, the system also requires you to enter your FEDLINK ID and password. The password is the same password you use to manage your FEDLINK account through our ALIX-FS account management system. Be sure to enter your ID in **lowercase** letters. (For help with passwords, please call our Hotline.)

2. Use the Automated Registration Form

From the Online Registration page, scroll down to the link for the Registration form. When you open the online registration form, your agency information automatically appears on the virtual form for your review. Before proceeding, please review the general information sections – A: Agency Identification, B: IAG Official Contact, C: Contracting Officer, and D: Member and Agreement Type – to ensure that your agency information is correct. All of your official documents will be mailed or sent electronically to the contact names and addresses you provide in these sections.

Hyperlinks throughout the registration and other forms link you to specific information about completing the form or learning more about FEDLINK procedures or vendors.

3. Choose Your Service Option

Next, decide whether you wish to be a Transfer Pay or Direct Pay member. The options differ based on the extent of the contracting and accounting support LC/FEDLINK provides your agency and is reflected in different fees for the two options.

The FEDLINK administrative fee for transfer pay accounts is 7.75 percent on the first \$300,000 for *each* service your purchase and 7.00 percent for service purchases above the \$300,000 threshold. The FEDLINK administrative fee for direct pay is \$1,200 per service account plus .6 percent of service dollars over \$100,000 in *each* service account.

For the five vendors offering the direct pay option under the "Direct Express" pilot there is no administrative fee; the cost of administering the pilot is included in the vendors' prices. (See Section 4 for more details.)

In transfer pay mode, LC/Contracting and Logistics (LC/C&L) contracting officers issue delivery orders against funds your agency has transferred to LC. LC/C&L will conduct competitions for your individual requirements within the framework of the established Basic Ordering Agreements (BOAs) when necessary. Services in FEDLINK's Library Support category (e.g., OCLC and training) and selected other services are only available in transfer pay mode.

In direct pay mode, your agency contracting officers are responsible for competing purchases over your agency's simplified acquisition threshold within the framework of the established LC/FEDLINK BOAs. This includes a synopsis of your requirements for more than \$25,000 on FedBizOpps.gov. You send purchase orders and purchase order modifications generated by your agency that total less than \$100,000 directly to the vendor but send orders totaling more than \$100,000 to LC for authorization to use LC/FEDLINK BOAs.

Make your choice carefully, because it is not possible to switch from one service option to the other during the fiscal year.

You may have a mixture of transfer pay and direct

pay accounts, but you may only use one pay option per vendor service. You may not have two accounts for the same vendor service, but if you need to manage separate fund allocations, you may set up more than one interagency agreement (IAG) with FEDLINK. For example, you might have one IAG for the library and another for other offices in your agency, or one IAG for Headquarters and separate IAGs for field offices you fund separately, etc.

Under both service options, you may allow subunits in your agency to use services under your IAG. FEDLINK must be able to identify all the purchase orders that will be associated with your direct pay account and all the invoices to be posted to your transfer pay account. Therefore, if you authorize other offices to use your IAG, you must provide names, addresses, and an official contact for each of these offices.

4. Select Your Services

Once you have decided between transfer pay or direct pay modes, scroll to the appropriate services section on the form.

The services list shows the transfer pay and/or direct pay services your agency used last fiscal year. If you wish to continue using these services, just review your selections and your service dollar amount for Fiscal Year 2003. The service action will be listed as "R" for "Renew Service." Select "C" to cancel a service.

If you purchased FY2002 online information services under the direct pay option from Ebsco Publishing, Gale Group, LexixNexis, ProQuest or West Group, and you wish to remain in a direct pay mode, you will need to select "C" to cancel these services on your registration. Under Direct Express, you can order these five services without registering with FEDLINK or paying a FEDLINK fee. See the FEDLINK Web site for more information or call (202) 707-0461.

To add a new service simply place the cursor in the blank block and select a vendor from the drop down menu and enter your service dollar amount. The service action will be listed as "B" for "Begin Service." For information on FEDLINK vendors, visit our online Services Directory at http://www.loc.gov/flicc/mmcontr.html.

5. Determine Your Service Dollar Amounts

Enter the amount you wish to fund for each service in this column. Do not include FEDLINK fees in the

service dollar column. Fees will be added to the electronic IAG sent to you for signature. The amount you enter in the service dollar column is the amount which will be obligated to the vendor as the not-to-exceed amount on the delivery



order issued for the service. Enter only whole dollar amounts. Transfer pay accounts will also need a "Fund Type," which indicates the period of availability of your funds as specified in your agency's appropriation using the appropriate letter for the fund type. Select one of the following:

- A--Annual: Funds that have a one year appropriation. Enter A in this column.
- M--Multi-Year: Funds that have a specific period of availability longer than one year, but not indefinite. Enter M in this column.
- X--No Year: Funds that are available for an indefinite period until expended. Enter X in this column.

6. Arrange for Agency Serials Services

If you are ordering *transfer pay* serials services, you will need to choose one of the following options:

 Serials Renewal: Exercise my option to renew with the vendor selected in my previous FEDLINK serials competition. That vendor's service ID and my funding for serials are shown in the boxes above.



- Completed Competition: Use this option if your agency's has competed your serials order for the upcoming fiscal year for under \$25,000. Enter the service IDs and funding for the selected vendor(s) in the services box.
- In Process: Use this option if your agency is requesting FEDLINK to compete your serials vendor. Enter the service ID "SZ" for the funding shown in the services boxes.

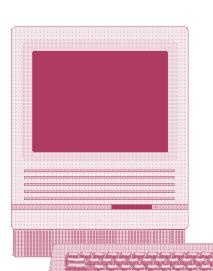
For direct pay serials services, you will need either to check "P" to register your agency temporarily for Generic Serials (SZ), while your contracting officer completes competition for your subscription order under an LC/FEDLINK serials BOA, or check "C" if your agency competition is complete.

7. Submit Your Registration and Receive Your IAG Or FEDLINK Services Addendum

Click on the Submit to FEDLINK Fiscal Operations button and you have completed online

registration.

FEDLINK will review your registration and post your Interagency Agreement (IAG) or FEDLINK services addendum online within 72 hours of submission. Check the FEDLINK Online Registration Web site for a notice that your IAG or FEDLINK services addendum is ready for your online review. If it is correct, you can print it and begin your agency's authorization process immediately by securing the appropriate signatures from the agency. (If your agency's registration is not approved, you will receive an email within 72 hours indicating the reasons for the rejection.)



If you are unsure of funding levels or need to reduce initial registration to conform to continuing resolution funding levels, you can adjust registration forms at any time prior to submitting the form. If you do not want to complete your registration immediately, exit the site and return later using the same login procedure.

Other Online Forms Are Available

FEDLINK has made the supplemental forms that complement the standard FEDLINK registration form available online. On the main Online Registration area of the FLICC/FEDLINK Web site, you can choose to use FEDLINK's Supplemental Address Form, the Intent to Compete Serials Form and the Serials Selection Form. FEDLINK will also release online versions of its New Service/New Funds IAG Amendment Request Form, Transfer Pay Account Adjustment IAG Amendment Request Form and Problem Report Form for Fiscal Year 2003.

Traditional Online and Personal Services Still Available

FEDLINK continues to offer online account management through its ALIX-FS system. To view daily account balances, monthly account statements detail, OCLC service usage, analytical reports and other details regarding an account, you can log onto ALIX through the FLICC/FEDLINK Web site. Help is also just a phone call away. FEDLINK Fiscal Hotline staffers are available to help you log into online registration, supply passwords, work through online forms, and review FEDLINK policies. Call the Hotline for any questions about online registration, account management, or transfer and direct pay accounts.

Please call the FEDLINK Fiscal Hotline at (202) 707-4900 or send email to fliccffo@loc.gov for any account guestions.

FLICC/FEDLINK Contact Information

Federal Library and Information Center Committee (FLICC)

Phone: (202) 707-4800—Fax: (202) 707-4818

Email: flicc@loc.gov

- Federal library and information center issues
- FLICC working groups and FLICC membership meetings
- Questions about the authority or operations of the FEDLINK program

FEDLINK Network Operations (FNO)

Phone: (202) 707-4848—Fax: (202) 707-4873

Email: fliccfno@loc.gov OCLC Team: (202) 707-4800 Email: askocfno@loc.gov

- FEDLINK policies and fees
- Procurement of FFDLINK services
- OCLC Support
- FEDLINK training classes/membership meetings
- Library trends and new technologies

FLICC Publications & Education Office (FPE)

Phone: (202) 707-4800—Fax: (202) 707-4825

Email: fliccfpe@loc.gov

- FLICC and FEDLINK publications
- FLICC education programs

FEDLINK Fiscal Operations (FFO)

FEDLINK Fiscal Hotline: (202)707-4900

Fax: 202/707-4999

Email: fliccffo@loc.gov

Member Services Section: (202) 707-4920 Accounts Payable Section: (202) 707-4970 Vendor Services Section: (202) 707-4960

- FEDLINK registration, Interagency agreements and amendments
- Status of transfer pay accounts, invoice processing, account statements
- Questions about FEDLINK and vendor services

Library of Congress Contracts

Phone: (202) 707-0461—Fax: (202) 707-0485

Email: flicc-cl@loc.gov

- Specific terms of LC/FEDLINK basic ordering agreements
- Competition of requirements for transfer pay customers

Library of Congress Financial Services Directorate (LC/FSD)

Library of Congress—Financial Services Directorate

Phone: (202) 707-5594—Fax: (202) 707-2829

IAG payments to the Library of Congress

FLICC/FEDLINK Main Web Page: http://www.loc.gov/flicc

Online Registration: http://www.loc.gov/flicc/online.html

FEDLINK Services Directory: http://www.loc.gov/flicc/mmcontr.html

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